Mr. A. L. Devassy *(Commissioner of Police).*—No inroad was made.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur).*—Is not a gagging order an inroad? Will the Government be pleased to reconsider the desirability of withdrawing their gagging order or at least not extend it a third time?

Mr. A. L. Devassy *(Commissioner of Police).*—It all depends upon the situation.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Urakam).*—Are the Government aware of a fairly strong feeling in the public mind of the country that the Government are taking sides in the matter, that the Diwan is taking sides in the matter with the help of the Police and showing undue tenderness towards a foreign concern?

Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar *(Secretary to Government).*—Sir, I must strongly repudiate the insinuation contained in the question against the person of the Diwan. I refuse to accept the assumptions contained in the question of the Hon'ble Member for Cranganur. They are as ill-founded as they are unjustified. The District Magistrate had grounds to apprehend that a situation might arise which was likely to disturb public peace and tranquillity, and so the ordinary machinery provided by law to avert such a situation was set in motion. Nothing more has happened.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ *(Ezhuvas North).*— തൃശൂർ പട്ടണത്തിൽ വൈദ്യുതീകരണ വിഷയത്തിൽ അനുകൂലമായും പ്രതികൂലമായും രണ്ടു കക്ഷികൾ ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു ഗവൺമെണ്ടിനറിയാമോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. എൽ. ദേവസ്സി *(Commissioner of Police).*— വൈദ്യുതീകരണം വേണ്ട എന്ന് പറയുന്ന കക്ഷി ഉണ്ടെന്നു തോന്നുന്നില്ല.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur).*—May I know whether the Hon'ble Member has got any strong evidence that the Diwan is taking a personal interest in the matter?

Mr. A. Sankara Menon *(Trippunithura).*—I think the question is out of order, Sir.

Drainage and Sewage—Mattancheri—Improvement of.

183. **Mr. Shabdai S. Koder** *(Jews-Special).*—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

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(a) whether they are aware that the British Cochin Municipality with the help of the Madras Government will be soon launching a very comprehensive scheme of drainage and sewage on up-to-date lines for British Cochin;

(b) if the answer is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to do the same for the town of Mattancheri by co-operating with the British Cochin Municipality and thus effectively solve the sanitary problem of Mattancheri at a lower cost?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer).*—(a) No.

(b) The Eraveli Canal scheme now under the consideration of Government is calculated to improve the sanitary condition of the town.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews special).*—May I know, Sir, whether the Hon'ble Member has made any enquiry when this question was answered?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer).*—We had no information about the work that is contemplated in Cochin.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews special).*—When will the Eraveli Scheme be put into operation?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer).*—The estimate has just been prepared for 2·5 lakhs and it will be sumitted to the Government shortly.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews special).*—Does it include flush system also?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer)*—No.

Kurumali Bund—Closing of the breaches.

184. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Nellayi).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether any action was taken by the Government to close the breaches that were caused in the Kurumali Bund in Thottippal Village in Survey Number 339, etc.;

(2) were there not petitions from the people for the same;

(3) did the Tahsildar of Mukundapuram report to the effect that the existence of these breaches is deplorable and

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